REMARKS

Claims 1-14, 19, 21, 22 and 25-28 have been canceled without prejudice. Claims 15, 17, 20 and 23 are amended. Claims 29-35 have been added. Claims 15-18, 20, 23-24, 29-35 remain in the application for consideration. In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejections and forwarding of the application on to issuance.

Allowed Claims

In the present Office Action, the Office indicates that claims 20 and 22 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, including all of the subject matter of the base claims and any intervening claims. Applicant thanks the Office for the indication of allowable subject matter.

Claim 20 has been rewritten in independent form to include the subject matter from claims 19 and 14 respectively, from which it formerly depended. Accordingly, claim 20 is now in condition for allowance.

Claims 15, 17 and 23 have been amended to change their dependencies from claim 14 to claim 20. These claims should be summarily allowed as depending from an allowed claim.

Claim 22 has been canceled and re-presented as new claim 29. This claim includes the subject matter from claims 21 and claim 14, from which claim 22 formerly depended. Accordingly, this claim is in allowable form.

Claims 30-35 depend from claim 29 and should be summarily allowed as depending from an allowable claim.

Applicant respectfully submits that all claims are now in condition for allowance and respectfully solicits issuance of a Notice of Allowability. If the next anticipated action is to be anything other than issuance of a Notice of Allowability, Applicant respectfully requests a telephone call at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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